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In re application of: KARL, Johann, *et al.*

Application No.: 09/720,006

Group No.: To Be Assigned

Filed: December 19, 2000

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For: Improvement Of Binding Assays By Multiepitope Analysis And By Combining Antigen  
And Antibody Determination

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments prior to examination of the above-referenced  
application:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**



Please cancel claims 1 to 43, without prejudice, in the originally filed application.

Please enter new claims 44 to 69, clean copies of which are shown on the attached pages  
as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Because the previous claims have been canceled, no marked up  
copies of the previous claims are enclosed herein.

While Applicants believe the claims as submitted with the original application conform  
with U.S. statutory requirements and are allowable, Applicants hereby request that the claims in  
this Preliminary Amendment be considered for examination. The purpose in submitting these

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Applicant(s): KARL, Johann, et al.

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Group Art Unit  
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ANTIGEN AND ANTIBODY DETERMINATION

## TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	26 -	20 =	6	x \$18.00	\$108.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	3 =	1	x \$80.00	\$80.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$188.00

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